

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

- I. (currently amended) A two-incision surgical method for minimally invasive total hip arthroplasty, comprising:
  - positioning a patient in a lateral decubitus position and preoperative preparation;
  - making a first skin incision over the ~~anterior~~ anterolateral side of the trochanteric area of the femur (~~ranging from 3 cm to 10 cm~~), intermuscular dissection between the Gluteus medius muscle (~~Gluteus minimus and medius~~) and Tensor fascia lata muscle, incision of the anterior joint capsule, osteotomy of the femoral neck, removal of the femoral head and neck, acetabular reaming and socket insertion;
  - making a ~~secondary~~ second skin incision over the Gluteus maximus muscle (~~ranging from 1 cm to 6 cm~~), dissection through the muscle fiber of the Gluteus maximus, intermuscular dissection between the Gluteus medius and Piriformis muscle, incision of the joint capsule, femoral reaming, and femoral stem insertion; and
  - inserting an artificial femoral head, and closing the joint capsule, subcutaneous tissue and skin.